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Dixon, IL – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces today that weather permitting, construction work will resume on I-39 on Monday, May 9, 2016. Rock Road Companies will be working on resurfacing the ramps at the IL 64 interchange north of Rochelle.

The work is part of the \$33 million project to resurface the 20 mile section of I-39 from Baxter Road south of Rockford to I-88 near Rochelle. William Charles Construction Company and Rock Road Companies are the two contractors for the project that is expected to be completed early this fall. Work started in April of 2015 and one half of the project was completed last summer before work was suspended for the winter.

Starting on Sunday evening, May 15th, motorists need to be extra alert when traveling through the area at night. Most of the construction work will be done between 7:00 p.m. in the evening and 8:00 a.m. the next morning. Drivers need to reduce speed because of the limited visibility and slowing moving construction vehicles that will be entering and exiting the work areas. Drivers should also be prepared to stop for vehicles moving slowly because of the lane closures.

To minimize traffic congestion and reduce travel delays, work will be scheduled to have all lanes open by Friday morning for each weekend. The contractors can start work at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday evening and must have all lanes open by 8:00 a.m. on Friday morning. Traffic will be restricted to one lane in the areas where work operations are underway.

Please slow down and use extreme caution while driving through all work zones.

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